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# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

## **Notice of Opposition**

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

## **Opposer Information**

Name	The Legendary Hatfield & McCoy Family Brand, LLC
Granted to Date of previous extension	07/30/2014
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## **Applicant Information**

Application No	86135625	Publication date	04/01/2014
Opposition Filing Date	07/29/2014	Opposition Peri- od Ends	07/30/2014
Applicant	Justus, Nancy PO Box 1716 Gilbert, WV 25621 UNITED STATES		

## Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 011. First Use: 0 First Use In Commerce: 0

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Distillation apparatus not for scientific purposes; distilling units; stills not for scientific purposes

# **Grounds for Opposition**

Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act section 2(d)
Other	15 U.S.C. §1051(b)

# Marks Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Application No.	85868805	Application Date	03/06/2013
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD & MCCOY FAMILY BRAND		

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Design Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD & MCCOY FAMILY BRAND			
		AWIL I DI	KAND	
Description of Mark	NONE			
Goods/Services	Class 033. First use: First Us alcoholic beverages, namely,		nmerce: 0	
U.S. Application No.	85869110	Application Date	03/06/2013	
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE	
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIEL	D & MCCOY FAMIL	Y BRAND	
Description of	THE LEGEND MCCOY F.	ARY HAT AMILY BI	ΓFIELD & RAND	
Description of Mark	NONE	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 006. First use: First Us metal keychains	e: 0 First Use In Con	nmerce: 0	
U.S. Application No.	85869116	Application Date	03/06/2013	
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE	
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIEL	D & MCCOY FAMIL	BRAND	
Design Mark	THE LEGEND MCCOY F	ARY HAT AMILY BI	TFIELD & RAND	

Description of Mark	NONE			
Goods/Services	Class 021. First use: First Use: 0 First Use In Commerce: 0 beverageware			
U.S. Application No.	85869122	Application Date	03/06/2013	
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE	
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIEL	0 & MCCOY FAMILY	BRAND	
	THE LEGEND MCCOY F.	ARY HAT AMILY BI	FIELD & RAND	
Description of Mark	NONE			
Goods/Services	Class 025. First use: First Use	e: 0 First Use In Com	merce: 0	
	wearable garments, namely,	nats and shirts		
U.S. Application No.	85869125 Application Date 03/06/2013			
Registration Date	NONE Foreign Priority NONE Date			
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIEL	0 & MCCOY FAMILY	'BRAND	
Design Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD & MCCOY FAMILY BRAND			
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Description of Mark	NONE			
Mark	NONE  Class 029. First use: First Use			
Mark Goods/Services U.S. Application	NONE  Class 029. First use: First Use jellies and jams	e: 0 First Use In Com	merce: 0	

Design Mark	THE LEGEND MCCOY F	OARY HAT AMILY BI	FIELD & RAND	
Description of Mark	NONE			
Goods/Services	Class 030. First use: First Use: 0 First Use In Commerce: 0 condiments, namely, barbecue sauce, chili sauce, hot sauces, salsas, molasses, chutney, plum sauces; biscuits and cakes			
U.S. Application No.	85868792 Application Date 03/06/2013			
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE	
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIEL	D & MCCOY FAMILY	/ BRAND	
Design Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD & MCCOY FAMILY BRAND			
Description of Mark	NONE			

U.S. Application No.	85869132	Application Date	03/06/2013
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	& MCCOY FAMILY	SPIRIT BRAND

Class 032. First use: First Use: 0 First Use In Commerce: 0

brewed malt-based alcoholic beverages in the nature of beer

Goods/Services

Design Mark			
	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD & MCCOY FAMILY SPIRIT BRAND		
Description of Mark	NONE		
	Class 006. First use: First Use metal keychains	e: 0 First Use In Com	nmerce: 0
U.S. Application No.	85869137	Application Date	03/06/2013
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	& MCCOY FAMILY	SPIRIT BRAND
	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD & MCCOY FAMILY SPIRIT BRAND		
Mark	NONE		
	Class 021. First use: First Use beverageware	e: 0 First Use In Com	merce: 0
U.S. Application No.	85869140	Application Date	03/06/2013
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	& MCCOY FAMILY	SPIRIT BRAND
Design Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD & MCCOY FAMILY SPIRIT BRAND		
	NONE		

Mark				
Goods/Services	Class 025. First use: First Use: 0 First Use In Commerce: 0 wearable garments, namely, hats and shirts			
U.S. Application No.	85868811	Application Date	03/06/2013	
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE	
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	& MCCOY FAMILY	SPIRIT BRAND	
Design Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD & MCCOY FAMILY SPIRIT BRAND			
Description of Mark	NONE			
Goods/Services	Class 032. First use: First Use: 0 First Use In Commerce: 0 brewed malt-based alcoholic beverages in the nature of beer			
U.S. Application No.	85868818 Application Date 03/06/2013			
Registration Date	NONE Foreign Priority NONE Date			
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD & MCCOY FAMILY SPIRIT BRAND			
Design Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD & MCCOY FAMILY SPIRIT BRAND			
Description of Mark	NONE			
Goods/Services	Class 033. First use: First Use: 0 First Use In Commerce: 0 alcoholic beverages, namely, distilled spirits			
U.S. Application No.	85869142	Application Date	03/06/2013	
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE	
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD & MCCOY FAMILY OF SPIRITS BRANDS			

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Design Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD & MCCOY FAMILY OF SPIRITS BRANDS		
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 006. First use: First Us metal keychains	e: 0 First Use In Com	nmerce: 0
U.S. Application No.	85869145	Application Date	03/06/2013
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIEL	D & MCCOY FAMIL	Y OF SPIRITS BRANDS
	2.00	OARY HAT MILY OF RANDS	FFIELD & SPIRITS
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 021. First use: First Us beverageware	e: 0 First Use In Com	nmerce: 0
U.S. Application No.	85869148	Application Date	03/06/2013
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD & MCCOY FAMILY OF SPIRITS BRANDS		
Design Mark	THE LEGEND MCCOY FAI BI	OARY HAT MILY OF RANDS	FIELD & SPIRITS

Description of Mark	NONE
Goods/Services	Class 025. First use: First Use: 0 First Use In Commerce: 0
	wearable garments, namely, hats and shirts

U.S. Application No.	85868822	Application Date	03/06/2013
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELI	<b>S</b> & MCCOY FAMILY	OF SPIRITS BRANDS
Design Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD & MCCOY FAMILY OF SPIRITS MCCOY FAMILY OF SPIRITS BRANDS		
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 032. First use: First Use	e: 0 First Use In Com	merce: 0
	brewed malt-based alcoholic	beverages in the natu	ure of beer

U.S. Application No.	85868829	Application Date	03/06/2013
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELI	D & MCCOY FAMILY	OF SPIRITS BRANDS
Design Mark	THE LEGEND MCCOY FAI BI		
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 033. First use: First Use	e: 0 First Use In Com	merce: 0
	alcoholic beverages, namely,	distilled spirits	

U.S. Application No.	85869151	Application Date	03/06/2013
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	& MCCOY MOONS	SHINE

Design Mark	THE LEGEND MCCOY	ARY HAT MOONSE	TFIELD & IINE
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 006. First use: First Use metal keychains	e: 0 First Use In Com	nmerce: 0
U.S. Application No.	85869155	Application Date	03/07/2013
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIEL	D & MCCOY MOON	SHINE
	THE LEGEND MCCOY	ARY HAT MOONSE	TFIELD & IINE
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 021. First use: First Use beverageware	e: 0 First Use In Com	nmerce: 0
U.S. Application	85869157	Application Date	03/07/2013
No.			
No. Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
	NONE  THE LEGENDARY HATFIEL	Date	

Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 025. First use: First Use: 0 First Use In Commerce: 0 wearable garments, namely, hats and shirts		
U.S. Application No.	85868838	Application Date	03/06/2013
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATE	FIELD & MCCOY MOON	SHINE
Description of	NONE		
Description of Mark			
Mark	Class 032. First use: Firs		
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Mark Goods/Services U.S. Application	Class 032. First use: First brewed malt-based alcohomole 85868846	Application Date  Foreign Priority Date	03/06/2013 NONE

	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD & MCCOY MOONSHINE
Description of Mark	NONE
Goods/Services	Class 033. First use: First Use: 0 First Use In Commerce: 0
	alcoholic beverages, namely, distilled spirits

U.S. Application No.	85868876	Application Date	03/06/2013
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	0 & MCCOY CHAR	

Design Mark	THE LEGEND MCC	ARY HAT OY CHAF	TFIELD &
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 032. First use: First Us brewed malt-based alcoholic		
U.S. Application No.	85868880	Application Date	03/06/2013
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIEL	D & MCCOY CHAR	
	THE LEGEND MCC	OY CHAF	TFIELD &
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 033. First use: First Us alcoholic beverages	e: 0 First Use In Com	nmerce: 0
U.S. Application No.	85868884	Application Date	03/06/2013
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIEL	D & MCCOY AMERI	CANWHISKEY
Design Mark	THE LEGEND MCCOY AME	ARY HAT	TFIELD & VHISKEY

Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 032. First use: First Use: 0 First Use In Commerce: 0 brewed malt-based alcoholic beverages in the nature of beer		
U.S. Application No.	85868889	Application Date	03/06/2013
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD & MCCOY AMERICANWHISKEY		
	THE LEGEND MCCOY AME	ARY HAT ERICAN W	TFIELD & VHISKEY
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 033. First use: First Use	e: 0 First Use In Com	nmerce: 0
	alcoholic beverages, namely,	distilled spirits	
U.S. Application No.	85868897	Application Date	03/06/2013
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELI	& MCCOY BLACK	POWDER
Design Mark	THE LEGEND MCCOY BI	ARY HAT LACK PO	TFIELD & WDER
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 032. First use: First Use brewed malt-based alcoholic		
U.S. Application No.	85868903	Application Date	03/06/2013
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
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THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD & MCCOY BLACK POWDER

Word Mark

Design Mark	THE LEGEND MCCOY B	OARY HAT LACK PO	ΓFIELD & WDER
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 033. First use: First Us alcoholic beverages, namely		nmerce: 0
U.S. Application No.	85868908	Application Date	03/06/2013
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIEL	D & MCCOY BOURE	BON
		OARY HAT Y BOURB	TFIELD & ON
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 032. First use: First Us brewed malt-based alcoholic		
U.S. Application No.	85868911	Application Date	03/06/2013
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	THE LEGENDARY HATFIEL	D & MCCOY BOURE	BON
Design Mark	THE LEGEND MCCO	OARY HAT Y BOURB	FIELD &

Description of Mark	NONE
Goods/Services	Class 033. First use: First Use: 0 First Use In Commerce: 0
	alcoholic beverages, namely, distilled spirits

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Signature	/s/Don V. Kelly
Name	Don V. Kelly
Date	07/29/2014

# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In the Matter of Trademark Application Serial No.: 86/135,625

For the Mark: HATFIELD & McCOY STILLS

Published in the Official Gazette for Trademarks on April 1, 2014

The Legendary Hatfield & McCoy Family Brand, L.L.C.,

Opposer,

v.

Nancy Justus

Applicant.

## NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

The Legendary Hatfield & McCoy Family Brand, L.L.C., (hereinafter "Legendary") believes it would be damaged and injured by registration of the mark HATFIELD & MCCOY STILLS for "distillation apparatus not for scientific purposes; distilling units; stills not for scientific purposes" in International Class 11, as shown in Application Serial No. 86/135,625, filed on December 5, 2013 (the "Opposed Application") by Nancy Justus (hereinafter "Applicant"), and published on April 1, 2014 in the *Official Gazette for Trademarks*.

Legendary alleges, solely for the purpose of this proceeding, as grounds for opposition, the following:

### **Background**

1. Legendary is a Missouri limited liability company with its main offices located at 415 North 10<sup>th</sup> Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63101.

- 2. The principals of Legendary formed Legendary in furtherance of a concept for a reality television show with a focus on the descendants of the Hatfield and McCoy families of the famous, historical Hatfield-McCoy feud ("Descendants").
- 3. Using their experience with other spirit brand families, Legendary's principals conceived the idea that the anticipated reality show could be used as a launch pad to market a family of distilled spirit beverages using the phrase "Hatfield & McCoy."
- 4. In furtherance of the reality show concept, Legendary engaged in dealings with the A&E Television Networks, L.L.C. ("A&E") and Descendants. Deals were reached with these entities and plans for the reality show were put in place.
- 5. In furtherance of the airing of the reality show, Legendary expended substantial time and sums meeting with the show's producers and characters, engaging in negotiations for required contracts, developing a family of spirit beverages and related goods to be sold under selected branding and coming up with the brand names to protect the family of distilled spirit beverages and goods to be sold.

### **Legendary's Applications**

6. In furtherance of the plan to sell and market distilled spirit beverages Legendary filed the following United States intent-to-use trademark applications on March 6, 2013.

App.No.	Mark	Goods/Services
85/869,110	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	metal keychains
	& MCCOY FAMILY BRAND	•
85/869,116	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	beverageware
	& MCCOY FAMILY BRAND	
85/869,122	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	wearable garments, namely, hats and shirts
	& MCCOY FAMILY BRAND	
85/869,125	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	jellies and jams
	& MCCOY FAMILY BRAND	
85/869,129	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	condiments, sauces, biscuits and cakes
	& MCCOY FAMILY BRAND	

App.No.	Mark	Goods/Services
85/868,792	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	brewed malt-based alcoholic beverages in
	& MCCOY FAMILY BRAND	the nature of beer
85/868,805	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	alcoholic beverages, namely, distilled spirits
	& MCCOY FAMILY BRAND	
85/869,132	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	metal keychains
	& MCCOY FAMILY SPIRIT	
	BRAND	
85/869,137	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	beverageware
	& MCCOY FAMILY SPIRIT	
95/960 140	BRAND THE LECENDARY HATEIELD	visconable comments manually bets and chints
85/869,140	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	wearable garments, namely, hats and shirts
	& MCCOY FAMILY SPIRIT BRAND	
85/868,811	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	brewed malt-based alcoholic beverages in
03/000,011	& MCCOY FAMILY SPIRIT	the nature of beer
	BRAND	the nature of beer
85/868,818	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	alcoholic beverages, namely, distilled spirits
02/000,010	& MCCOY FAMILY SPIRIT	areonone severages, namery, distinct spirits
	BRAND	
85/869,142	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	metal keychains
	& MCCOY FAMILY OF	,
	SPIRITS BRANDS	
85/869,145	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	beverageware
	& MCCOY FAMILY OF	
	SPIRITS BRANDS	
85/869,148	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	wearable garments, namely, hats and shirts
	& MCCOY FAMILY OF	
05/050 022	SPIRITS BRANDS	
85/868,822	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	brewed malt-based alcoholic beverages in
	& MCCOY FAMILY OF SPIRITS BRANDS	the nature of beer
85/868,829	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	alcoholic beverages, namely, distilled spirits
03/000,029	& MCCOY FAMILY OF	alcoholic beverages, namely, distinct spirits
	SPIRITS BRANDS	
85/869,151	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	metal keychains
30,333,101	& MCCOY MOONSHINE	
85/869,155	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	beverageware
	& MCCOY MOONSHINE	
85/869,157	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	wearable garments, namely, hats and shirts
	& MCCOY MOONSHINE	
85/868,838	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	brewed malt-based alcoholic beverages in
	& MCCOY MOONSHINE	the nature of beer
85/868,846	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	alcoholic beverages, namely, distilled spirits
0.7/0.70.77	& MCCOY MOONSHINE	
85/868,876	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	brewed malt-based alcoholic beverages in
05/060 000	& MCCOY CHAR	the nature of beer
85/868,880	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	alcoholic beverages, namely, distilled spirits
05/060 004	& MCCOY CHAR	harved malt board also bells become
85/868,884	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	brewed malt-based alcoholic beverages in

App.No.	Mark	Goods/Services
	& MCCOY AMERICAN	the nature of beer
	WHISKEY	
85/868,889	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	alcoholic beverages, namely, distilled spirits
	& MCCOY AMERICAN	
	WHISKEY	
85/868,897	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	brewed malt-based alcoholic beverages in
	& MCCOY BLACK POWDER	the nature of beer
85/868,903	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	alcoholic beverages, namely, distilled spirits
	& MCCOY BLACK POWDER	
85/868,908	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	brewed malt-based alcoholic beverages in
	& MCCOY BOURBON	the nature of beer
85/868,911	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	alcoholic beverages, namely, distilled spirits
	& MCCOY BOURBON	•

7. In furtherance of the plan to sell and market distilled spirit beverages Legendary filed the following United States intent-to-use trademark applications on March 7, 2013.

App.No.	Mark	Goods/Services
85/869,167	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	metal keychains
	& MCCOY CHAR	
85/869,169	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	beverageware
	& MCCOY CHAR	
85/869,173	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	wearable garments, namely, hats and shirts
	& MCCOY CHAR	
85/869,177	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	metal keychains
	& MCCOY AMERICAN	
	WHISKEY	
85/869,180	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	beverageware
	& MCCOY AMERICAN	
	WHISKEY	
85/869,181	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	wearable garments, namely, hats and shirts
	& MCCOY AMERICAN	
	WHISKEY	
85/869,185	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	metal keychains
	& MCCOY BLACK POWDER	
85/869,186	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	Beverageware
	& MCCOY BLACK POWDER	
85/869,189	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	wearable garments, namely, hats and shirts
	& MCCOY BLACK POWDER	
85/869,192	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	metal keychains
	& MCCOY BOURBON	
85/869,194	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	Beverageware
	& MCCOY BOURBON	
85/869,197	THE LEGENDARY HATFIELD	wearable garments, namely, hats and shirts

App.No.	Mark	Goods/Services
	& MCCOY BOURBON	

- 8. The marks listed above are referred to hereinafter collectively as the "Legendary Family of Marks."
- 9. Application Nos. 85/869,116, 85/869,125, 85/869,132, 85/869,137, 85/869,142, 85/869,145, 86/869,151, 85/869,155, 85/869,177 and 85/869,194 have received Notices of Allowance. Twenty-nine (29) of the above applications received preliminary approval from the USPTO and were published for opposition.
- 10. In July 2013, A&E started airing the reality show focusing on the Descendants. In the fall 2013, A&E opted to cancel the reality show. However, despite this cancellation, Legendary continues to work with Descendants toward manufacturing and selling distilled spirit beverages.
- 11. Legendary thus has been and currently is in the business of developing and marketing distilled spirits for sale, particularly including various forms of whiskey (including moonshine). As part of this business Legendary is also in the business of developing and marketing items used to promote the sale of distilled spirits.
- 12. In manufacturing and creating products utilizing the Legendary Family of Marks, Legendary will, by necessity, utilize apparatus in the form of a still and other associated items.

#### **Applicant**

- 13. Applicant alleges to be a descendant of William Anderson "Devil Anse" Hatfield ("Devil Anse").
- 14. Prior to the A&E show airing, Applicant became dissatisfied with her involvement or lack thereof in the reality show. In an effort to gain more favorable

terms relating to the reality show and to interfere with Legendary's plans to manufacture and sell distilled spirit beverages, Applicant filed and is the owner of Trademark Application Serial No. 85/869,214 (the '214 Application") for "HATFIELD AND MCCOY MOONSHINE THE DRINK OF DEVIL ANSE HATFIELD" filed March 7, 2013 under Trademark Act § 1(b) based on intent-to-use.

- 15. The '214 Application was refused, based upon the priority of Legendary's applications and other bases. In response to the continuing refusals entered in the '214 Application, Applicant has made conflicting statements as to the form and elements of the mark, its usage and its ownership.
- 16. Applicant some 8 months later filed the Opposed Application with knowledge of, Legendary's previously-filed applications and the Legendary Family of Marks.
- 17. To further disrupt Legendary's business and attempt to leverage concessions from Legendary, Applicant instituted opposition proceedings in many of Legendary's applications set out above claiming, *inter alia*, that there exists a likelihood of confusion between the Legendary Family of Marks and alleged marks of Applicant by virtue of use of the phrase "Hatfield & McCoy" or similar variant in the marks.

#### **Count I - Likelihood of Confusion**

- 18. Legendary restates and adopts as if more fully set forth in this paragraph the allegations of paragraphs 1 to 17 of this Notice.
- 19. Each of Legendary's applications listed above has priority over the Opposed Application.

- 20. Applicant was aware of Legendary's applications and the Legendary Family of Marks at the time of filing the Opposed Application
- 21. In filing the Opposed Application, Applicant knew of Legendary's rights and legitimate interests in marks substantially identical to the mark of Applicant's '214 Application and Applicant's Opposed Mark.
- 22. Applicant's Opposed Mark was applied for in bad faith to interfere with Legendary's applications and was intended to trade off of Legendary's current and future goodwill in its Legendary Family of Marks.
- 23. Applicant's Opposed Mark was applied for primarily to disrupt the business of Legendary.
  - 24. Applicant has no legitimate interest in Applicant's Opposed Mark.
- 25. Applicant applied for Applicant's Opposed Mark with the intention of creating confusion as to the source, sponsorship, affiliation and endorsement of Legendary's goods, specifically those to be sold under the applied-for Legendary Family of Marks.
- 26. Applicant's conduct in applying for Applicant's Opposed Mark is inconsistent with norms of reasonable, honest, and fair commercial behavior.
- 27. The core goods to be sold under Legendary's Family of Marks, distilled alcoholic beverages, are commonly made by and are associated with stills, such that the public and consumers would believe that the goods derive from the same source, and that Applicant and Legendary are related or affiliated or both.
- 28. Upon information and belief, Applicant's goods and Legendary's goods are likely to be sold, offered and/or used by the same class of purchasers.

- 29. Upon information and belief, Applicant's goods and Legendary's goods are likely to be offered, promoted and/or sold in the same channels of trade.
- 30. If Applicant is permitted to use and register Applicant's Opposed Mark, confusion in trade resulting in damage and injury to Legendary would be caused and would result by reason of the confusingly similar nature of Applicant's Opposed Mark and Legendary's Family of Marks. Furthermore any defect, misrepresentation, objection or fault found with Applicant's goods promoted under Applicant's Opposed Mark would necessarily reflect on and seriously injure the reputation that Legendary has established and will establish through use of its Legendary Family of Marks.
- 31. If Applicant is granted the registration herein opposed, she would thereby obtain at least a *prima facie* exclusive right to the use of Applicant's Opposed Mark. Such registration would be a source of further damage and injury to Legendary.
- 32. Applicant's Opposed Mark and Legendary's Family of Marks are similar in their entireties as to appearance, sound, connotation and commercial impression. Applicant's Opposed Mark therefore so resembles a mark applied to be registered in the Patent and Trademark Office, when applied to the goods of the applicant, to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive. 15 U.S.C. § 1052(d).
- 33. For the reasons set forth in the foregoing paragraphs, Applicant is not entitled to register Applicant's Opposed Mark and the Opposed Application should be denied in accordance with Section 2(d) of the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1052 (d).

#### Count II - Lack of Bona Fide Intent

34. Legendary restates and adopts as if more fully set forth in this paragraph the allegations of paragraphs 1 to 34 of this Notice.

- 35. Upon information and belief and as stated above, Applicant did not have a *bona fide* intention to use Applicant's Opposed Mark in commerce for the specified goods when she filed her Opposed Application.
- 36. In the alternative and as an additional, independent basis for relief, Applicant's Opposed Application is therefore void *ab initio*, pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §1051(b), and the Opposed Application should be refused accordingly.

#### **STANDING**

- 37. Legendary is damaged at present by Applicant's Opposed Mark because it will create a likelihood of confusion with Legendary's Family of Marks, obstructs Legendary from expanding its goods into an area of natural expansion and will obstruct Legendary's ability to federally register more marks to be part of its Legendary Family of Marks for use with goods in areas of natural expansion.
- 38. Legendary is further damaged by the existence of Applicant's Opposed Application because should it mature to registration, it will improperly confer upon Applicant the various benefits of federal trademark registration that can be used against Legendary and its Legendary's Family of Marks.

WHEREFORE, Legendary Hatfield & McCoy Family Brand L.L.C. prays that Application Serial No. 86/135,625 be rejected, and that registration of Applicant's Opposed Mark shown and specified therein be refused and denied, and that this Opposition be sustained in favor of Legendary.

Legendary hereby gives notice under Rule 2.122(d) of the Trademark Rules of Practice that at hearing and in any appeal on this opposition proceeding, it will rely on

Legendary's United States applications as referenced above as evidence in support of this Notice of Opposition.

The \$300 requisite government filing fee is being paid by credit card payment.

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of this Notice of Opposition was sent, via First Class Mail, postage prepaid, this 29<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2014, to the Attorney for Applicant, as follows:

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